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Mr. Johnny Reising
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RE: RtC on Prescribed Burn Outline

Dear Mr. Reising,

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's February 26, 2001 submittal, "Transmittal of Responses to Ohio EPA Comments on the Draft Outline for FEMP Prescribed Burn Plan." Ohio EPA understands DOE's need to wait until a policy is issued by DOE HQ to initiate any burn activities. However, we believe it is appropriate to begin compiling the draft Site-wide Burn Plan and a draft Area 8 Phase 2 project specific burn plan. Both of which could be reviewed by the trustees then revised and finalized following issuance of the policy. This would allow a more timely response to the policy issuance and subsequent implementation of prescribed burns at Fernald.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6466.

Sincerely,

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